

THE DEER QUESTION AND THE FARMER

way?

For one I am frank to confess that I regard the most of them as simply another peculiarly rank evidence of the little wisdom with which the world is governed.

In its essence, the "game law" is a relic and survival of the ancient, barbaric, times when a few rich and powerful and utterly unscrupulous peers and barons lorded it unrestrained over vast demesnes. These hage estates, usually given them by some king in return for the sid they and their vassals had given him at need, had "the castle" on some dominating point, in which the lords and lordings revelled in such carousals and debaucheries as fitted their rather savase tastes. Around the castle spread the woods and fields. All belonged to the lord of the manor. He could clear them or forcest them; could use them or neglect them, and there was no one to say him nay. The cowed and defenseless vassals who dwelt in hovels here and there over his lands were just vassals and nothing more. They had no rights either of property or person which the lord of the manor was bound to respect. He gave them certain privileges—not rights—which they might shelter under until he changed his mind, and guaranteed them a sort of supercilious protection of against attacks from out sides. He should be a said or open season."

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But they owned nothing at any time nor in any place. The hovels they built to shelter in their banonial master might destroy at his pleasure; the bits of land they cleared and tried to crop he might take from them without a minute's warning; they were nothing more than "tenants at will"—at the will of an aloof and whelly selfish over-lord, without appeal from his acts or rederss from his abuse.

Oh, they used to "protect the game" in those days! There were peasants enough to do their lord's bidding, and plenty of brats growing up to take their places. Besides, they couldn't be hunted; i. e. were not worth hunting either for food or pelts, while the game was needed for feasts at the castle. Therefore it was made death ashort shrift for any man, without permission, to kill any of the over-lord's game. How many men were hung to forest trees or burned alive in their own fired huts for hunting the king's or the baron's deer in those "good old days", only the good God knows. No records were ever kept nor any reports ever made; any more than of the deer and trout that king or baron slaughtered on their own hunting excursions.

There was no such thing as agricul-ture or manufacture in those days, as we now understand the terms. Only slaves or peasants or other unregarded slaves or peasants or other unregarded low-born creatures engaged or sought to engage in either. If any one underlook either, he did so at his own risk and with no guarantee of protection or assistance or reward:—not even of toleration beyond the 'hresponsible pleasure of his local over-ford. His menial labors might be permitted, so long as they didn't interfere with the run of salmon and trout or the hunting of the fallow deer. But that was all. The game was the chief thing, and such matters as the raising of wheat or barley or cabbages or apples were of secondary importance.

Those were the days of real game laws. I can imagine that a few men in this country, today, look back at them with real envy, and wish some-thing of the same sort might be en-acted over again.

The most of us, though, are able to see a marked difference between the conditions of mediaeval Europe and those of modern industrial America. Those who really think that the difference isn't an improvement have the right to that opinion. They have, however, small right to deny the existence of the difference.

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as game, seems to me as infensible an anachronism in these days as would the re-establishment of "villeinage" or the re-enactment of primogeniture laws or the creation of "Barons of



A. F. WOOD The Local Undertaker"
DANIELSON, CONN
Pariors & Mechanic Street

(Written Specialty for The Bulletin.)
I notice the deer question is likely to be brought up in the legislature again. If so, we shall, doubtless, have the usual old debate between sentiment and sense; between those who represent the actual needs of the community and those who don't care a tinker's dam for anything but their own amusement.

What do you, fellow farmer, think of these "game laws," as a whole, anyway?

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Meantime, closed season or open season, the "game" is taking its living and making its increase off the fields of the farmer. He is, perforce and wills-nilly, supplying the food on which it thrives, and finds his already too small production sometimes grievously diminished by its ravages.

He would seem to have enemies enough to fight in the bugs and the blights and the rots and the weeds and the worms and the siugs and things of that sort, without having legislation foist upon him other one-mies and forbid him, under penalty of extortionate and oppressive fines, to defend himself against them.

This over-lord, who had been brought up to regard war as the only worthy occupation, and hunting as the only worthy amusement of the highborn, naturally cared a good deal less about the protection and the welfare of his two-legged vassals than about the protection of the four-footed game be woods. They were his woods, bear in mind; and the game in them was his game; both intended and maintained solely for his pleasure. Therefore, if human vassal, creeping forth from his repulsive burrow in the dark, killed a deer or took a troff to satisfy his hunger and that of his squalling brood, he was promptly hung as soon as caught.

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forests of an unsettled country. I've no objection to deer in a northwestern wilderness where there isn't a farm in a hundred miles. I've no objection to dons and elephants and rhinoceroses and hippopotami in mid-Africa, or to rich people going there to liunt them.

But I do object, as emphatically as I know how, to having my farm made a breeding place and protected compound for rabbits and deer; against being compelled to feed them for a long "closed season" and then have my fields roamed over and my fences broken down and my gates left open by a horde of so-called hunters from some other part of the country in the "open season."

If one were allowed to and could domesticate deer and keep them as he keeps cows, they would make a valuable addition to our herds. No way has yet been discovered to do this. Nor is such a preservation intended or desired by our game laws. The laws which protect deer do not seek or dream of any advantage to the community as a whole, but simply the pleasure of an infinitesimal minority. Which pleasure has to be paid for in the losses they cause to the real producers.

If there is any animal pest which deserves protection less than another, it is the common cotton-tail rabbit—the bean-eating, cabbase-destroying, corn-nibbling, tree-barking rabbit. Yet no less than sixteen states had, according to the latest information at my hand, laws protecting this very pest which one small state of Australia has paid \$1,750,000 in a vain attempt to exterminate!

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cestor Bill Tendered Farewell Dinner at Meriden Service at Trinity Church, Brooklyn, Temorrow Sale of Wapplet Bungalow Jerdan A. Jonstone Prospering in Georgia Legislative Move for Tuberculosis Sanitarium for Windham County.

Leater Bill, son of Judge and Mra. A. G. Bill, has returned here from Meriden, where he recently resigned as plant engineer for th New Bogiand Westinghouse company. Before Mr. Bill left he was given a farewell dinner by the foremen of departments

Going to Florida. Gaston A. Maindon leaves next Tuesday for Florida, where he is to remain, at New Symrna, until about April 1. April 1.
Rev. H. M. Brown is to preach at the Pentecostal church in Putnam tomorrow afternoon.

Joseph Lapelle visited here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lapelle.

Delegates to Grand Lodge. C. S. Francis, C. E. Franklin and H. F. Glendining are the delegates from Moriah lodge, No. 15, A. F. and A. M., to the grand lodge meeting in Hartford next Wednesday.

John C. Marion of New Bedford visited with friends in Danielson Friday.

Rev. Walter B. Williams of Bridge-water, Mass., is to preach at the West-field Congregational church Sunday. James N. Tucker, John H. Perry and W. L. Bullard, members of the board of relief for Killingly, were in session Friday. Will Officiate at Trinity.

Rev. William H. Evans, Worcester, is to conduct the evening prayer service at Trinity church, Brooklyn, Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. There will be no morning service. Services at Williamsville.

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Rev. C. A. Downs, Dayville, is to conduct a service at 10.45 Sunday morning at the church in Williamsville and will regularly conduct Sunday services there hereafter.

Rev. H. B. Goodsell has invited the members of Quinebaug lodge of Odd Fellows and of Rebekah lodge to attend service at the Congregational church in South Killingly Sunday, February 11.

Marie Louise Pepin was named in the probate court here as administratrix of the estate of Edmund Pepin, formerly of Danlelson and Putnam, and who died recently in a Boston hospital.

Pool and billiard rooms here, including those in private clubs, have received notice that they must pay a federal tax to the government.

Federal agents are in Danlelson this week to make investigations relative to individuals making returns as to income taxes. There are a number of delinquents hereabouts.

February Directresses. The directresses of the Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church for February are: Mrs. Amelia Tillinghast, Mrs. C. H. Barber, Mrs. Joel Witter, Mrs. F. Bond, Mrs. John A. Paine, Mrs. A. E. Meech, Mrs. Kate Danielson, Mrs. J. B. Hopkins.

Whapples Bungalow Sold. Otis Wood of the Whitestone Worst-ed company, Elmville, has purchased teh Whapples bungalow there. Agent Howard Wood and Mrs. Wood of the mill company are to occupy the bun-

galow. Five Above Zero. Some thermometers in Danielson registered as low as five degrees above zero in Danielson Friday morning.

Could Have Seen His Shadow. There was no question but that a groundhog might have seen his shadow had he ventured out Friday, but there is a whole lot of doubt as to an animal accredited with so much wisdom and intuition being such a consurned fool as to venture into the open on such a day. n such a day.

Will Push Charter Amendment. Members of the railroad committee of the Danielson Business Mem's association will be in Hartford next Wednesday afternoon to appear before the railroad committee on the matter of amending the charter of the Attawaugan Street Railway company, an amendment which will be favored by the local delegation.

PROSPERING IN GEORGIA Gordon A. Jonstone Sends Paper From Atlanta With Inspiring Message.

Gordon A. Jonstone, formerly agent here for the Danielson Cotton company, has forwarded to Danielson friends copies of The Fulton, a periodical issued by the Fulton Bag and Cotton company, of which Mr. Johnstone is general manager at Atlanta, Ga. This great concern employes thousands of operatives and is one of the most important textile plants in the south.

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We are starting another year with a clean sheet, and forgetting things that are left behind. Let us press forward to the mark set for the year ahead. Vain regrets for past failures avail nothing, and are only of true benefit when they are used as stepping stones or guide posts to keep us from repeating them. The tring that counts is the set determination to do better and avoid the mistakes made last year.

"Every day that dawns is a day for new beginnings, and what was impossible yesterday is almost commonplace tomorrow so fast do the wheels of improvement turn. Don't get discouraged if things don't go the first time you try; but set your teeth, square your jaw, set your feet firmer under you and say: I will forget all else until I succeed with it! You will be surprised how soon, after concentrating your mind, you see a solution to your kinky problem."

Working for Moth Appropriation.

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There is no reason on earth why, if certain very rich people want to preserve game, they shouldn't buy up and fence in and stock big compounds of wooded, mountains and rocky hills or even verdant intervales with any form of wild life they chose—and which they could be required to seep in bounds. There are plenty of such areas, worth little for crop-production, and held at small acre prices. And there are plenty of men rich enough to pay the bills for their own pleasure.

But it doesn't strike me as fair or even quite decent to foist the cost of maintaining hordes of farm-ravaging wild animals upon the farmers them selves.

That sort o fibling is too much like seething a kid in his mother's milk.

THE FARMER.

China's Hard Task.

What Yuan'a successor particularly desires it to find a flethod of keeping his country out of war and keep the country, too.—Washington Post.

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County Commissioner E. H. Corttis of Thompson is to address the mem-sers of the Mon's club of St. Philip's shurch next Tuesday evening. His object is to be County Government.

Teachers' Meeting.

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Principal-H. T. Burr of the Normal school at Williaminic addressed a scachers' meeting Friday afternoon. The Teaching of Citisenship was his subject, admirably presented.

Trace Conted With Ice.

Passengers on trains into this city priday afternoon commented on the emarkable crystal woodland scane liable from the car windows between lampton and Ellioff stations. The rees were coated with ice which giltimed like millions of diamonds under the sun's rays. The same condition revalled in the woods in the eastern ection of Putnam. prevalled in the woods in the eastern section of Putnam.

Though alarmed over the crisis with Germany, even the reost prudent of citizens in this part of the county have not suggested closing the port of Pomfret Landing.

Mrs. Almeda Kent. Friday afternoon at her home, cor-ner of Mechanic and Intervale street, uneral services for Mrs. Almeda Kent were conducted by Rev. George Stone, easter of Advent church. Burial was in Grove cemetery.

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A few over 26 students are continuing their work in the night school. During the present season chief interast has centered in the trade courses and the registration in these classes has been large and the interest finely maintained.

A local citizen well versed in insurance matters said Friday afternoon that there will be a small reduction in rates on dwelling property here following the purchase of another fire track by the city, though he did not believe that rates on blocks in the business section would be reduced.

Early work done and reports made by members of the recently organized public health committee have shown that it would be of very great advantage to have a district or visiting nurse in public, and it is not unlikely that the efforts of the committee will result in eventually securing a nurse.

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The police department of the city received word from the county jail at Brooklyn that Walter Bates, committed from the city court here a few days ago, on a non-support is critically ill at the jail. He is suffering with pneumonia and is under the care of the nurse. Captain Ryan notified Mrs. Bates of her husband's illness and also had word conveyed to Bates' mother in Providence.

Chilly Day For Scouts. Moth scouts working out of this city experienced the most bitterly cold day of the winter Friday. Working in the eastern section of the town, near the Rhode Island border, the men found the piercing wind so severe in its effect upon them that it was only with difficulty that they remained out. Moth infestations are being found in the section of this town, that borders on Rhode Island.

Admirate Primary.

Advice to Prisoner. Judge Fuller offered some advice to a prisoner who appeared before him in the city court Friday morning. The man had been picked up Thursday evening in an intoxicated condition and after he had succeeded in attracting some unervisible attention in the buse

iness section.

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Ellily Sunday, you should get a license to preach, said the court, "and this also applies to your singing in the streets."

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PETITION FOR SANITORIUM. Windham County Wants One for Tuberculosis Patients—Norwich Insti-tution Too Far Away.

Representative Harry E. Back has filed a petition in the legislature for the establishing in Killingly of a state sanitarium for the care of persons suffering with tuberculosis. Such sanitoria have been established in other sections of Connecticut by the state, the solitary eastern Connecticut one being at Norwich.

Medical records show that considerable numbers of persons have for years past become afflicted with tuberculosis in the mill villages of Windham county. In most instances the petients are not in such circumstances as to go away and pay the expense of the necessary curative treatment; neither are they willing, in many cases, to go even the comparatively short distance to Norwich, for then they are cut off in great measure from their families, and rather than endure this—as a real matter of fact—they prefer to remain at home, most always to suffer and linger on and die.

Mill men in towns and villages in the eastern section of Windham county are much interested in having such a sanitarium established and there are other persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are very anxious that something should be done for the persons who also are the sufferers hereabouts. Killingly is centrally lostices and readily accessable from all of them of the state and

Take one or two Cascarets tonight and enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced. Wake up feeling grand, your head will be clear, your tongue clean, breath sweet, stomach regulated and your liver and thirty feet of bowels active. Get a box at any drug store now and get straightened up by morning. Stop the headache, billousness, bad colds and bad days. Feel fit and ready for work or play. Cascarets do not gripe, eicken or inconvenience you the next day like saits, pills or calomel. They're fine! fine!
Mothers should give- a whole Cascaret anytime to cross, sick, bilious or
feverish children because it will act
thoroughly and can not injure.

Engages to Appear as Admiral.

Having cancelled engagements that would have taken them on a western theatrical circuit, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Morse are in Putnam for a few days. Unexpectedly in New York recently Mr. Morse was offered and accepted an opportunity to appear as an admiral in a motion picture being produced there. The concern was looking for a man of Ma Morse's exceptional stature and quickly improved the opportunity to secure Mr. Merse's services.

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HIS FRIEND THE ELEPHANT

risoner replied. He seemed very useh surprised. "Well, if you do take up preaching sain, I suggest this topic—Looketh of Upon the Wine When it is Red." aid the judge; "30 days." onday and luesday WM. FOX Presents THEDA BARA

se L. Lasky Presents the Bewitching Cinema Favorite

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Miss Maron Wheaton, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Wheaton of this city recently acted as sponsor at the launching of the big Pacific coast steamship Rerwood, at Bellengham, Wash, where her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Frank A. Wheaton, are residents. The launching took place January 22, and is regarded in Bellingham as marking the beginning of the success of a great shipbuilding industry at that port.

At the regular monthly meeting of the common council next Tuesday evening the matter of making arrangements for investigating different motor fire truck propositions will come up and a special committee may be appointed.

News With Every Scene

QUEST OF THE GOLDEN GATE Something Unusual Every Minute

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The receipts at the supper at the Congregational church Thursday evening under the auspices of the Ladies' society were \$44.35. The entertainment at St. Mary's

E. F. Blake, P. D. Morgan and H. G. Willis the committee of arrangements for the annual banquet and Ladies night of Mt. Vernon lodge, No. 75, F. and A. M., W. H. Payne, master, have decided on the date, Thursday, March 22nd decided on the date, Thursday, March 22nd.

The Masonic banquet, like the Firemen's ball and the Odd Fellows' banquet, is one of the social events of the season, which is anticipated with much pleasure. The present able committee will be certain to make this the grand affair it always is. Friday. The programme was as fol-

9 a. m., Poultry Diseases, by Mr. Jones: 19 a. m., Fertilizer Materials and Their Functions, by Mr. Southwick: 11 a. m., Poultry Feeds and Feeding, by Mr. Jones: 1 p. m. and 2 Rev. Samuel Thatcher, pastor of the Methodist church will preach Sunday morning on The Weak Link in a Weak Chain. Evening subject at 7 o'clock, Letters to Pergamos and Thyatyra, the The programme of the

A GOOD TIME

BIJOU HALL, at JEWETT CITY Saturday Night, February 3rd

parish fair Thursday evening was especially attractive. It was given by four members of White Cross council. No. 13, K. of C., of Norwich. John A. Hourigan was in charge of the programme. Nicholas Speliman sang The Rosary, John Sullivan's song was Sheehan's number was My Girt Sal, and Joseph Sheridan sang, I Was Nevar Nearer Heaven Before in My Life, ar Nearer Heaven Before in My Life, Jeremiah J. Desmond and Joseph C. Bland, also nembers of the Norwich Section it is either a feast or a famine, order were visitors at the fair. There was a fine attendance and much inchire is reported.

In the ponds in this vicinity are covered with 12 inch ice and in some places where fishermen have cut, 18 inch ize is reported.

Dancing—Swahn's Orchestra Cars to Norwich After Dance Cars to No

Advantages of Extension School Improved by Large Number—Sexton William P. Palmer III—Christian Science Meeting—Personal Notes.

There was another large attendance at Extension School in Agriculture and Home Economics, in Academy hall, on Friday. The programme was as follows:

Communion Sunday Services.

At the Colchester Baptist church at the Sunday morning worship at 10.45 the pastor, Rev. B. D. Remington, will give a Communion Sunday Services.

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26, 26-39, followed by the sacrament, Bible school at 12.10. Evening praise and worship 7 p. m. The subject of the address will be, An Old-Pashtoned Prayer Meeting, Text Acts 3.1-11.

CAMPBELLS MILLS

Mrs. Horace Perkins and Mrs. Dwight Lewis are suffering from severe tacks of grip. p. m., Economic Use of Fertilizers and Lime, by Mr. Southwick; 3 p. m., Milk, Its Composition, Food Value and Methods of Sanitary Production, by Mr. Musser. The programme of the Voluntown.

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